Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

COPY MAILED

JUL 1 3 2004

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

THOMAS L. BYBEE 10285 GRAND AVE. OMAHA, NE 68134

In re Application of

Thomas L. Bybee; Chris Harvey; Sheri Kime; Dave Murphy; Greg Rothman; Steve Wright

Application No. 10/627,415

Filed: July 25, 2003

For: TWO-AXIS ROBOT FOR SPECIMEN TRANSFER

Dear Mr. Bybee:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join in the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the Irvin Dingle at (703) 306-5684. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703) 308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703) 308-9726 or 1 (800) 972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

Frances Hicks

Lead Petitions Examiner

Office of Petitions

Office of the Deputy Commissioner for Patent Examination Policy

cc:

George R. Nimmer P.O. Box 252 Omaha, NE 68101-0252